

## DECLARATION

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that the individuals listed below are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: GRACEFUL DEGRADATION SYSTEM, the specification of which is attached hereto.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

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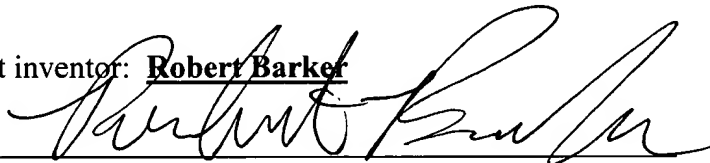
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